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SUBJ: HUMAN RIGHTS VETTING FOR CAMBODIAN NOMINEES FOR ILEA
"NARCOTICS UNIT COMMANDERS" COURSE IN BANGKOK

REF: STATE 61654

¶1. This is an action cable. See Paragraph Six.

¶2. Reftel is guidance for screening nominees for U.S.-sponsored training programs.

¶3. To comply with the Leahy amendment relative to U.S. sponsored security assistance training, the U.S. Embassy Phnom Penh has conducted local human rights vetting for the following individuals selected for the Narcotics Unit Commanders course from August 31-September 11, 2009 in Bangkok, Thailand.

NOMINEES:

NAME: Soeung, Nol (Male)
DPOB: October 10, 1969; Pursat
RANK/POSITION: Lt. Colenol, Office Chief
DEPT/UNIT: Anti-Drug Department, Ministry of Interior

NAME: Yeng, Bunna (Male)
DPOB: April 17, 1973; Kampong Cham
RANK/POSITION: Lt. Colenol, Office Chief
DEPT/UNIT: Anti-Drug Department, Ministry of Interior

NAME: IV, Thearith (Male)
DPOB: August 24, 1969; Kandal
RANK/POSITION: Major, Deputy Office Chief
DEPT/UNIT: Municipal Commissariat Police, Ministry of Interior

NAME: Chem, Thanith (Male)
DPOB: November 3, 1969; Kampong Cham
RANK/POSITION: Captain, Deputy Office Chief
DEPT/UNIT: Stung Treng Provincial Police, Ministry of Interior

ALTERNATES:

NAME: Ouch, Sothearath (Male)
DPOB: October 9, 1973; Phnom Penh
RANK/POSITION: Major, Deputy Office Chief
DEPT/UNIT: Municipal Commissariat Police, Ministry of Interior

NAME: Mai, Indou (Male)
DPOB: May 5, 1974; Battambang
RANK/POSITION: Captain, Deputy Office Chief
DEPT/UNIT: Stung Treng Provincial Police, Ministry of Interior

¶4. U.S. Embassy Phnom Penh has reviewed its files and finds that, as of this date, it possesses no credible information of gross violations of human rights by the above-mentioned individuals.

¶5. The individuals will attend the Narcotics Unit Commanders course from August 31-September 11, 2009, in Bangkok, Thailand. The course is sponsored by the United States Department of State and will be presented by the United States Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA).

¶6. Action request: Please verify whether the Department possesses any credible information that the individuals named above have been implicated in gross violations of human rights. Post requests a Leahy vetting response from the Department by August 14, 2009.

¶7. Point of contact for Amembassy Phnom Penh is Jenae Johnson at Johnsonjd3@state.gov or tel: 855-23-728-118, or Alicia Gale at galean@state.gov or tel: 855-023-728-110.

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